

## Open Court Reading - Alphabet Sound Wall Cards

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Edition - 1st

Grade Level P1 - Kindergarten

Readability Level

Course / Content Reading

List Price: 137.92

Wholesale Price 103.44

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Content	Each Alphabet Sound Card contains capital and lower-case letters and a picture that shows the sound being produced. The name of the picture on each card contains the target sound at the beginning of the word for the consonants and in the middle for most of the vowels. Vowel letters are printed in red, and consonants are printed in black. The picture associates a sound with an action. This action/sound association is introduced through a short, interactive story found in the teacher's edition.
Student Experiences	Students reference Alphabet Sound Cards to relate sounds of the English language and their letter correspondences. These cards are a resource used by students to remember sound/letter associations for both reading and writing.
Assessment	Continuous assessment provides a variety of useful techniques and opportunities to assess students both informally and formally. Informal assessments include Rubrics, corresponding with specific skill masteries following the Lesson Planner pages within the Teacher Edition. Formal assessments are done periodically to offer teachers the opportunity to gauge progress on multiple skills. In the Program Assessment book, a Pretest at the beginning of the year guides and informs instruction, and a Midyear Test and Post-test give teachers an opportunity to monitor students' progress. Unit Assessments monitor students' understanding of phonics, comprehension, and language arts. Diagnostic Assessment provides more focus assessment opportunities to aid in individualizing instruction. Test Preparation and Practice Workbooks help teachers prepare their students for standardized tests, such as Terra Nova, SAT/9, and ITBS.
Organization	There are 31 Alphabet Sound Cards displayed where all students can see them.
Resource Materials	Little Books are Big Books in a smaller format for individual student use. Teacher Read Alouds are sets of trade books used for theme/unit introduction. Diagnostic Assessment provides focused assessment opportunities to aid in individualizing instruction.
Gratis Items to be provided and under what conditions	
Available Ancillary Materials	Teacher Editions provides the information necessary for teaching systematic, explicit skills instruction centered around quality literature selections. There are 120 lessons divided into eight thematic units. Eleven Big Books develop print awareness and

### Research Data and Evidence of Effectiveness

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Overall Strength and/or Weaknesses

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Recommendations: This material was reviewed as part of the Open Court Reading Program Set. It is recommended that the Open Court Reading Program be included on the Kentucky State Textbook Adoption List.

**Summary Form**

I.	Technology Component Summary	2.000.00
	Professional development lesson demonstrations for teachers are available on DVDs, VHS tapes and online. Student books are recorded on cassette tapes and CDs. Online student assessment available.	
I.	Reading Content Summary	2
	Good variety of selections that are well organized and developmentally appropriate.	
II.	Writing Content Summary	2.00
	Elements of good writing embedded in this program!	
III.	Grammar and Spelling Content Summary	1.92
	Students are given many opportunities for grammar, spelling and handwriting practice and review. Could not find an electronic dictionary.	
IV.	Listening /Speaking / Observing Content Summary	2.00
	Excellent integration.	
V.	Inquiry Content Summary	2.00
	Inquiry connections and investigations are included throughout this program.	
VI.	Technology Content Summary	
	Student texts are recorded on cassette tapes as well as CDs. There are some interactive student reading games.	
VII.	Audience: Teacher Materials Content Summary	2.00
	Easy to follow format that includes many teaching suggestions. Connections are made and background professional development information is available.	
VIII.	Audience: Student Materials Content Summary	2.00
	Very colorful student texts that include a good variety of different types of literature and student activities.	
IX.	Format Content Summary	2.00
	Easy to read student texts and teacher materials. All color coordinated at each level.	
X.	Ancillary Materials Content Summary	2.00
	Abundant ancillary materials.	

**READING CONTENT**

**WRITING CONTENT**

**GRAMMAR AND SPELLING**

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**LISTENING / SPEAKING / OBSERVING**

**INQUIRY**  
**TECHNOLOGY CONTENT**  
**AUDIENCE: TEACHER MATERIALS**  
**AUDIENCE: STUDENT MATERIALS**  
**FORMAT**  
**ANCILLARY MATERIALS**